



CITIZENS SUMMARY

Compilation of 2012 Federal Forfeiture Reports

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| Background | Section 513.653.1, RSMo, requires law enforcement agencies involved in using the federal forfeiture system under federal law to file a report regarding federal seizures and the proceeds received therefrom with the Department of Public Safety (DPS) and the State Auditor's office (SAO). State law forbids the DPS from issuing funds to any law enforcement agency that fails to abide by these provisions. Intentional or knowing failure to comply with any reporting requirement is a Class A misdemeanor punishable by a fine of up to \$1,000. |
| Reporting | For the year ended 2012, the DPS identified 613 law enforcement agencies that may need to submit reports. Of these agencies, 411 did not file a federal forfeiture report and conclusions regarding reporting compliance and whether these agencies participated in the federal forfeiture system cannot be made. Of the 202 agencies reporting, 14 failed to report to the SAO and only reported to the DPS, while 3 failed to report to the DPS and only reported to the SAO. The SAO received 28 of the reports after the January 31, 2013, deadline. |

Because of the compound nature of this report, no overall rating is provided.